



DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, DCI SECURITY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Release of NOCONTRACT Data to SAFE Project Contractors

Reference: Director of Central Intelligence Directive, "Security Controls on the Dissemination of Intelligence Information (U)," 7 January 1984 (DCID 1/7)

1. Since the inception of the SAFE Project, various DIA data file owners have informally authorized the release of classified files and files labeled NOCONTRACT to TRW contractor representatives associated with the SAFE project. Recently, the SAFE Users Group (SUG) requested written authorization from the file owners for continued access by the SAFE project contractors to these classified files. Additionally, the SUG sought approval for limited contractor access to the Document Data Base and Mail Data Base which also contain classified information and NOCONTRACT data. Because the SAFE project involves the exchange of classified information originated by other intelligence agencies, the SUG has requested that the DIA Office of Security seek an exception to the provision of paragraph 8.c., DCID 1/7 which requires originator approval for release of NOCONTRACT information to contractors.

2. Access to NOCONTRACT information by the SAFE project contractors is vital to the continuation and successful conclusion of the SAFE project. Prohibition against contractor access to the mail/text files and to non-DIA originated NOCONTRACT information will preclude the planned use of contractor support to the DIA Message Error Correction (MEC) function. This will require DIA to undertake an alternative learning technique as a substitute for the hands-on assistance currently being planned as a contractor support activity. This will also require personnel augmentations for the DIA MEC organization to compensate for the loss of contractor support. This restriction will preclude the development of the Message Resolution Process (MRP) software and the Automatic File Build (AFB) software that SAFE contractors are building. Without contractor access to the substantive DIA files, as well as the mail/text files, it will be necessary to close down about 90% of DIA SAFE development work and terminate test and integration for Delivery 2 as well as all future deliveries.

3. The SUG, in coordination with the DIA file owners, has developed a consolidated DIA position relative to security controls for release of NOCONTRACT information. Contractor access to NOCONTRACT information will be controlled and limited to only that information essential to contractor performance. Contractors will be briefed on the restrictions governing their access to and use of the information. Hard copy printouts of data files will be controlled by the COTR or a designated DIA employee. The Office of Security will provide policy guidance and assistance as required.

Enclosure 1 to U-6769/OS-3B

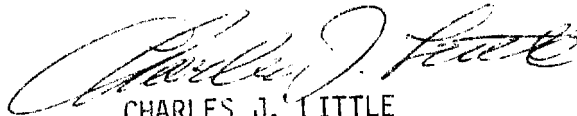
4. DIA recommends that the SECOM:

a. Approve an exception to the provisions of paragraph 8.c., of reference. The exception would permit SAFE project contractors access to NOCONTRACT information through Delivery 4, currently scheduled for initial operating capability in FY87-FY88.

b. Give matter priority discussion at its 18 September 1985 meeting for an expeditious response.

5. Request Mr. Clayton, DIA Office of Security, telephone 373-2746 or Mr. Heidinger, Chairman, SUG, telephone 373-3589 be contacted for additional information as required.

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